

48 Baptist Schools Get \$56 Million From U.S.

WASHINGTON (BP) — Forty-eight Southern Baptist colleges and universities have received \$55,892,000 from the federal government during the four-year period 1963-66, according to a study prepared by the National Science Foundation.

In 1966 these schools received \$18,480,000.

Baylor University, a Texas Baptist School in Waco, was listed in the top 100 schools in the nation in the amount received from the government. The 1966 allocations to Baylor amounted to \$11,298,000, the report said.

In 1965 Baylor ranked 66th in the nation in the amount

of federal funds received. It dropped to 73rd place in 1966.

Although not in the top 100, Wake Forest College, Winston-Salem, N. C., was second among Southern Baptist schools receiving federal support. It got \$3,554,000 in 1966.

Third place among Southern Baptist schools was Stetson University, DeLand, Fla., with \$1,367,000 in 1966.

The report did not state for what purposes the federal funds were used, but indicated the funds fell into four categories, and did not include loans or grants for housing.

Most of the funds to Baptist schools were believed to be for contracts for services ren-

dered and for research programs.

The president of Baylor University, for example, said that all of the funds received by Baylor were on a contract basis for specific services rendered. "Ninety per cent of the funds were on contract for medical research for the medical schools," said Baylor President Abner V. McCall.

"Total federal obligations to universities and colleges for the support of academic science and other educational activities amounted to \$3.0 billion in 1966, or more than double the \$1.4 billion obligated in 1963," the report stated. This is an increase of 114 per cent.

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Southern Baptist leaders who took part in South Africa Crusade are seen, along with several South Africa leaders.

S. Africa Crusade Successful

Thirty Southern Baptist preachers recently have returned from an evangelistic crusade in the nation of South Africa. Nine of the men were from Mississippi, and Dr. Bob N. Ramsay of Brookhaven served as leader of the group.

South African leaders were enthusiastic in their acclaim of the crusade and its results, and reported glorious experiences and church-changing revivals in cities all over the land.

One Southern Baptist participant, who has been in previous crusades to other nations, expressed his belief that this was one of the most significant international evangelistic crusades in which Southern Baptists ever had participated.

Fifty-three churches participated in the campaign which was called a "Crusade for Christ," and the 30 Southern Baptists from America were joined by two Southern Baptist missionaries from Rhodesia.

While the reports from some churches have not yet been received, at least 1333 persons made public professions of faith in Christ, and more than 1800 persons "renewed their commitment to Christ or made some other decision." Approximately 20 persons dedicated their lives to Christ for full time Christian service.

The crusade had been in the planning stage for several years, with the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention working with the Baptist Union of South Africa in the preparation.

One of the responsibilities of the Home Mission Board was to enlist evangelists to go for the revivals.

Last Spring the Home Mission Board found it necessary to cancel active participation in the crusade, but the Baptist Union and Southern Union and Southern Baptist ministers who still wanted to go, continued the plans. The team of thirty men from America and two from Africa completed their preparation.

Opportunity was given for a wide ministry beyond the churches. The evangelists spoke on radio programs, were interviewed by newspaper re-

porters, and appeared before schools and other groups outside the churches.

Newscheck, a national news magazine similar to Newsweek in the U. S., sent a reporter to interview Dr. Ramsay, and carried a lengthy story concerning the crusade. Without exception the

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Laymen's Congress Plans Set

RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil (BP) — Tentative program plans for a hemispheric-wide Baptist laymen's congress here July 15-21 have been announced by the chairman of the Crusade of the Americas layman's committee, Owen Cooper of Yazoo City, Miss., U.S.A.

The Pan American Baptist Laymen's Evangelism Congress will feature morning and afternoon sessions at the First Baptist Church of Rio de Janeiro, with city-wide evangelistic sessions each night.

The evening evangelistic meetings will meet at the 30,000-seat Maracanazinho auditorium.

Principal speakers for the evening sessions will be David Gomes, secretary to the Home Mission Board for the Brazilian Baptist Convention; Nilson Fanini, pastor of the Baptist church at Niteroi, Brazil, just across the bay from Rio de Janeiro; Samuel Libert, area coordinator for the Crusade of Americas for Southern Latin America; and Baker James Caughen, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention Foreign Mission Board.

Each of the evening messages will be preceded by testimonies from laymen, and a religious concert by an outstanding vocal artist, said Cooper, president of the Mississippi Chemical Corp., and chairman of the committee sponsoring the conference.

Already enlisted as soloists for the congress are Irene Jordan of the Metropolitan Opera, J. Robert Bradley, director of church music for the National Baptist Convention U.S.A., Inc.; and Russell Newport, president of Newport Stores in Springfield, Mo.

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COLLEGES OPEN WITH OPTIMISTIC OUTLOOK

The four Mississippi Baptist colleges have opened their 1967-68 academic season with an optimistic outlook, according to reports from the schools.

Enrollments generally are up and have reached record highs in some cases.

Detailed reports from each college are as follows:

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

Another all-time high enrollment was set at Mississippi College this semester as 2,102 individuals have registered for classes according to Registrar Troy Mohon.

The 2,102 figure erases the previous high of 2,056 set during first semester of the 1966-67 session. Represented in the total are 77 of the 82 Mississippi counties, 28 states, the District of Columbia and ten foreign countries.

Credited with the largest increase was the graduate school, jumping from 258 enrollees first semester last year to 328 this session. The increase in this category came about as the result of an expanded graduate offering, including the addition of a master of business administration degree program. The college already awards the master of arts and master of education degrees.

Substantial increases were also noted in several other categories, with the senior class showing the largest rise with 420 registered this fall as compared to 380 last year.

The junior class has 498 members, the freshmen number 441, while the sophomores show a 335 total. There are 79 persons registered as special students.

Men students outnumber women students in every classification, with the grand total showing 1,172 males to 930 females.

In a county-by-county breakdown, Hinds County has the largest number of students with 835. Ranking second was Warren County with 72.

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Foreign Board Sets \$30,256,000 Budget

The Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board, in its annual meeting in Richmond, Va., October 9-11, adopted a budget of \$30,256,000 for 1968; elected a new slate of officers; took initial steps in planning the observance of its 125th anniversary in 1970; appointed 12 missionaries to bring the overseas mission force to 2,282 (including 189 on short-term assignments).

Also, expanded the responsibilities of Dr. Claude H. Rhee, Jr. music consultant, to include working in the

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Court Takes Appeal On 'Aid'

By W. Barry Garrett

WASHINGTON (BP) — The nation may be a step closer to a solution of the impasse of the constitutionality of much federal legislation on the grounds that it violates the "establishment" and "free exercise" clauses of the First Amendment.

A group of citizens in New York brought a suit in the U. S. District Court for the Southern District of New York challenging the use of federal funds for programs and services in religiously operated schools.

At issue are guidance services and instruction in reading, writing, and other subjects. Included are the purchase by federal funds of textbooks and other instructional materials for use in such schools.

In June of this year the three-judge District Court ruled (2-1) that the New Yorkers had no legal standing to bring such a case. The decision was based on a 1923 case (Frothingham v. Mellon) that said individual taxpayers have such a small amount of financial interest in a federal tax case that they cannot challenge such expenditures.

The appeal to the Supreme Court seeks to make the point that this is not a taxpayers' case but that it is one involving the free exercise and establishment of religion. Therefore, the New Yorkers contend, the Frothingham case is not applicable in this instance.

If the Supreme Court rules in favor of the New Yorkers, the case then probably will be returned to the District Court for trial. If it rules in favor of the administration, the problem will remain as to how to test such issues in the courts.

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Graham Begins In Tokyo

TOKYO, Japan (Special) — American evangelist Billy Graham drew 44,000 people in the first two days of his Crusade International in Tokyo's Nippon Budokan on Friday and Saturday.

More than 2,000 Japanese left their seats to stand in front of the North Carolina preacher when he closed his sermon by asking the audience to "accept Jesus Christ as your only God, turning from all other gods." Japanese church leaders described such a response as "fantastic."

The strong start ended the speculation that Mr. Graham, a "virtually unknown" here in Japan, could draw massive crowds in this country with less than one-half of one percent of its population being followers of the Christian religion.

Mr. Graham said, "Our hearts are thrilled to overflowing." He said he thought that the first three services proved that there is a spiritual heart hunger the world over and that many people will respond when the Gospel of Jesus Christ is preached.

"This also is indicative of the great spiritual vacuum in this country," he added. "Japan is seeking a religious experience and technical development has not satisfied the deepest longings of the human heart." Mr. Graham also predicted that the Crusade could possibly be the beginning of the turning point for the Christian church in Japan.

The first two days saw the largest Christian meetings ever held in Japan. Friday's opening service in the 14,000 seat sports arena built for the 1964 Olympics, was completely filled. More than 30,000 people attended two services on Saturday with thousands of others being turned away. Scores of teenagers numbering 15,000 packed Tokyo's largest auditorium for a special youth program Saturday afternoon.

They were asked to represent the Alliance by Josef Nordenhaug, general secretary of the Alliance with offices here.

Alliance representatives will be Claus Meister, a layman and professor of languages at Baptist Theological Seminary in Rischlikon, Switzerland; and C. Ronald Goulding, associate secretary of the Baptist World Alliance with offices in London.

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1966-67 CONVENTION BOARD BOOKS TO CLOSE NOV. 1

Convention Board books for the 1966-67 convention year will be closed on Wednesday, Nov. 1, according to Dr. Chester L. Quarles, the board's executive secretary-treasurer.

All mission receipts received in the morning mail of Nov. 1 will be credited to the 1966-67 convention year budget and all receipts coming in later will be counted in the new 1967-68 convention year's budget.

Later in November the Baptist Record will carry the figures showing the mission contribution of all the churches for 1966-67, including Cooperative Program as well as all designated funds.

This year's Cooperative Program budget goal is \$3,470,000 while next year's proposed budget, to be presented to the convention Nov. 14-16 for consideration, is \$3,800,000.

Men's Conference To Be Held Nov. 13

The annual meeting of the Mississippi Baptist Men's Conference will be held at the First Church in Jackson, Nov. 13, one day prior to the opening of the Mississippi Baptist Convention on Nov. 14.

The conference will begin at 3:30 p. m. and adjourn at 9 p. m. following a message by Dr. H. Leo Eddleman, presi-



Dr. H. Leo Eddleman

dent of New Orleans Baptist Seminary.

The afternoon session will adjourn in ample time for the men to get to Daniel Memorial Church on Terry Road where the annual banquet will be held at 5:30 p. m.

Rev. Elmer Howell, director of the Brotherhood Department, who will preside, said that 600 men are expected for the banquet. Food, fellowship and inspiration will be featured.

R. L. Sherrick, business manager of the Baptist Brotherhood Commission, Memphis, will be the principal speaker.

The Hinds County Baptist Men's Quartet will sing and present light comedy. The quartet is composed of Cecil Harper, Charles Muller, Jim Jones and Tom Larimore.

The evening session at the First Baptist Church will begin at 7:30 o'clock with Roy Kuykendall, of Newton, president of the Men's Conference, in the chair.

Music will be under direction of Dallas Rayborn of Hattiesburg.

Presiding over the afternoon session will be Paul Harrell, associate in the Brotherhood Department.

"Mission Study In Action" will be emphasized with a visual presentation, "I Don't Want To Be Involved," to be featured.

"The Indian Giver and the Wooden Nickels," a drama, will be presented by a group of Royal Ambassadors from Broadmoor Baptist Church in Jackson.

Other officers of the men's conference are Talmadge Rayborn, Starkville, vice-president, and D. W. Ainsworth, Jackson, recording secretary.

The men's conference is related to the State Convention through the Brotherhood Department.

Tickets to the banquet can be secured for \$1.00 each by writing to the Brotherhood Department, P. O. Box 320, Jackson, Miss.

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S. Africa Crusade Successful

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churches reported large attendance, numerous decisions, and a large number of professions of faith. Pastors and people alike, reported that a spirit of revival had come to the congregations and to the communities in which the churches were located.

In a letter to Dr. Ramsay after the crusade was over, Dr. J. D. Odendaal, President of the Baptist Union of South Africa, and also of the Union's seminary said, in part, "It is unbelievable that the 'Crusade for Christ' is something of the past. We have planned and prayed a long time for this, and we looked forward with great enthusiasm to your coming. We were confident that the Lord Jesus Christ had great things in store for us."

"We were not disappointed. God has used you and enabled you to contribute to the success of this endeavor. We praise Him for that. True revival fires have been experienced in many churches. All over untold blessings have come through the preaching of the precious Word of God. It seems to be the consensus of opinion that the coming of the American team can result only in what is good for those churches which participated and for the denomination as a whole. I believe that this is just the beginning of greater things to come."

Rev. Chris W. Parnell, Gen-

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About 750 Baptists from throughout North, Central and South America are expected to attend the congress. About 200 of the number would come from the United States.

Immediately following the congress, the Baptist laymen would divide into teams and conduct weekend laymen's revivals in churches throughout Brazil on the weekend of July 19-21.

The layman's organization for each of the 26 participating Baptist bodies in the Crusade of the Americas is handling invitations to attend the hemispheric-wide congress. The Brotherhood Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention is handling invitations for Southern Baptist laymen.

Foreign Board Sets \$30,256,000 Budget

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tor of First Baptist Church, Longview, Tex., president; M. Hunter Riggins, Jr., of Roanoke, Va., first vice-president; and J. Leonard Moore, of Richmond, second vice-president. Dr. John L. Moran, pastor of Churchland Baptist Church, Portsmouth, Va., was reelected recording secretary.

The record budget (\$2,233,700 above the 1967 budget) includes more than \$5,700,000 for evangelism and church development and nearly \$3,000,000 for schools, \$1,400,000 for medical work, and \$1,000,000 for literature. The largest single item is \$11,773,000 for the support of missionaries.

The operating portion of the budget is \$24,356,000 and the capital needs portion, \$5,900,000. Of the operating budget, \$21,895,735 will be spent overseas and the remaining \$2,260,265 in the States for administrative and general expenses and for missionary education and promotion. All of the capital funds will be spent overseas.

Budget Is Inevitable

"This budget represents the involvement of Southern Baptists in churches throughout our entire fellowship," reminded Dr. Baker J. Cauthen, executive secretary of the Board.

"It is money given through the Cooperative Program. The budget for 1968 includes \$13,018,000 to be received through the Cooperative Program. In churches large and small, people who make their offerings week by week undergird this world ministry. Through the Cooperative Program every Baptist can be involved."

"It is money given through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering. In the 1968 budget, \$117,000 for support of missionaries and ministries on the mission fields will come through the Lottie Moon Offering. Homes of missionaries,

General Secretary of the Baptist Union, wrote to Dr. Ramsay concerning the crusade, "Thank God for it. I am more and more glad that we pressed on, and that you took the lead, and brought these fine men out to us. God used them mightily."

Best Campaign

Mr. Parnell stated that the Sunday school superintendent of the Johannesburg Central Church said that it was "by far the best campaign held in Central during the twenty years he had been a member there." He also felt that the results would be enduring.

In a letter to the Baptist Record, Mr. Parnell said, "God has been in our midst during the past three weeks, and granted us blessings above what we could ask or think according to His wonderful Grace in Jesus Christ. May we be worthy of the challenge of the Gospel of Christ, and the needs of the future."

The organizer for the Crusade, the Rev. Allan G. Pearce, director of the program of Home Missions and Evangelism, and a pastor of one of the churches, wrote to the evangelists, "We in South Africa owe you a deep debt of gratitude . . . We have formed, not only strong links of friendship with you good brethren in America, but through our fellowship and your ministry we are bound by that indissoluble bond—the love of Christ Jesus, our Lord and yours. Through you this crusade for Christ has resulted in great uplift and blessing to the people of my own beloved South Africa. To Him be all the glory!"

In a general summary report of the Crusade, Mr. Pearce quoted pastors saying "we thank God that this crusade has been a quickening experience for us as a church and many have found a new enthusiasm in their service for the Master".

"The presence and power of the Holy Spirit was experienced in every service as we sat under great Biblical preaching . . . The spiritual awakening was great and we can face the future with renewed vigour . . . A prominent doctor and his wife came out together to profess faith in Christ, tears streaming down their cheeks—and ours."

"The final meeting saw the church overflowing, with people looking in the windows." . . . "This was preaching at its best, the man disappeared; we seldom saw greater humility."

The churches of South Africa were so pleased with the Southern Baptist type of evangelism, that they asked one of the visiting preachers, Dr. Robert L. Hughes, full-time evangelist from Pensacola, Florida, and former Mississippian, to return to South Africa to spend two years as convention evangelist.

One of the Mississippians who went to South Africa for the crusade, Dr. Jewel Kyzar of Bude, who held a revival in Pretoria, the capital, summed up his feelings concerning it by saying, "It was a fabulous experience, measured by any standard. It was infinitely worth everything that it cost in time, money and energy."

Brings New Understanding

Dr. Ramsay added, "This Crusade has brought about a new understanding and fellowship between the Baptists of South Africa and Southern Baptists. Moreover, it made a spiritual impact on the nation. God opens the doors for Christian witness far beyond the walls of the churches. There was full freedom to preach as we were led of God, and never for one moment was there the slightest feeling of limitation to our witness."

"All of us who went to South Africa thank God that we had the opportunity to serve Him in this great nation on the other side of the globe, that we had the privilege of knowing these Baptist people who love the Lord as do we, and that we could witness the power of the gospel there, even as in our own land," he concluded.

A department of Evangelism is being established by the Union of South Africa as a result of the Crusade, according to a letter received by Dr. Ramsay on Monday of this week.

The letter, from Rev. W. A. Temlett, pastor of Central Baptist Church, Johannesburg, reads as follows:

"I believe that the venture is the beginning of a greater movement within the Baptist witness of our land now. One of the important decisions which was taken at our assembly was the establishment of a Department of Evangelism within our Baptist Union.

pastor's baptismal class after which the deacons examine them and recommend them for membership."

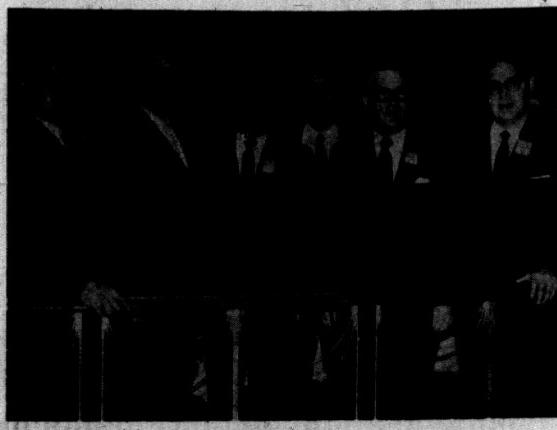
Brother Gruber added: "I preached exactly the way I do at home and no restrictions were imposed. There was a wonderful harvest for the glory of God."

In speaking concerning the Crusade, Dr. Ramsay said, "This has been one of the greatest spiritual experiences of my life. Without doubt, God was in the plans for this Crusade. Never have I seen a finer Christian spirit among Baptist people, or better preparation made for revivals. The power of the Holy Spirit was manifest from the very beginning. Every man of the team reported rich spiritual blessings in the revivals in which he participated."

Indescribable Experience

Another Mississippian, Rev. James M. Metts, Jr., who held revivals in two of the churches in Pretoria, said, "This was the most fantastic experience of my life. It is almost indescribable. Never have I seen people as eager or ready for, or as responsive to, the gospel."

Rev. Carlos Gruber of Texas, an evangelist who is well known in Mississippi, said in his news letter after participation in the crusade: "A Word About Our African Brethren — They are not many in number but they are a deeply spiritual people who don't apologize about their convictions. They are a praying people. When those men talk to God in public prayer, they lift your soul to the very Gates of Heaven. They are careful and elaborate in receiving new members into the church. Those who come forward are dealt with by especially trained counselors who know the Bible, and explain 'more fully' the plan of salvation and then pray with them. Then these 'Newborn babes' in Christ enroll in the



Several leaders in the South African Crusade are, from left: Rev. Chris W. Parnell, general secretary, Baptist Union of South Africa; Dr. J. D. Odendaal, president, B.U. of S.A.; Rev. Keith W. Reid, secretary for Christian Education of B.U. of S.A.; Dr. John N. Johnson, vice president of B.U. of S.A.; Dr. Bob N. Ramsay, pastor First Baptist Church, Brookhaven, Mississippi and Crusade leader; Rev. Allan G. Pearce, Crusade organizer, B.U. of S.A.



DR. RAMSAY preached on a Sunday afternoon to one of the Negro churches in Soweto, a city of 500,000 Negroes, which is a part of Johannesburg. The South African Baptist Union has a strong mission program among the Negroes of the nation.



Central Baptist Church, Pretoria, where Dr. J. H. Kyzar of Bude was the evangelist.

HOME BOARD APPOINTS TEN MEN CAREER MISSIONARIES

ATLANTA (BP)—Southern Baptists' homeland mission force got an injection of masculine strength in October with the appointment of ten men as career missionaries.

The appointees are A. T. Walker, a native of Coffeeville, Ala.; Harold E. Cunningham of Hart County, Ga.; William T. Jenkins of Alton, Ill.; Marion F. Boyd Jr. of Marion, Ill.; L. T. Whitelocke of Westmoreland, Jamaica; Jerry Ray Gibbons of Villa Ridge, Mo.; Robert H. Brindle of Henrietta, N. C.; Leon D. Simpson of Synder, Okla.; Charles A. Clark of Fort Worth, Tex.; and Waller M. Ethridge of Texas.

BAPTIST SCHOOLS GET \$56 MILLION

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During the same period public funds to Southern Baptist schools increased 71 per cent. If the two top schools (Baylor and Wake Forest) are not counted, the increase to Southern Baptist schools was 75 per cent.

Conditions in the Western and Northern Regions are now more settled, and travel restrictions are being relaxed. Two new missionary journeys have gone to posts in the North, and two more were scheduled to leave the States for Nigeria in mid-October.

The National Science Foundation made its report in a volume, "Federal Support to Universities and Colleges, Fiscal Years 1963-66," published by the U. S. Government Printing Office.

The federal obligations reported in this study were accounted for by eight agencies that provide 95 per cent of all federal funds to universities and colleges.

The figures include federal funds in four categories: (1) research and development, (2) research and development plant of facilities, (3) other scientific activities and (4) non-science activities.

College housing projects were not included in the report. Neither were programs included from the Office of Economic Opportunity.

It did not break down the amounts received by the schools into specific kinds of aid. Hence, it is not possible by this report to determine the specific projects paid for by the government in each school.

The report included all col-

leges and universities in the United States receiving federal funds in the four-year period.

Data in the report were received from the Department of Agriculture, Atomic Energy Commission, Department of Commerce, Department of Defense, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, Department of Interior, National Aeronautics and Space Administration and National Science Foundation.

The four Mississippi schools and the amount of Federal obligations committed to them are as follows:

Blue Mountain College—\$1,000; Clark Memorial College—\$1,000; Mississippi College—\$2,000; William Carey College—\$80,000.

Stetson's Law Dean To Retire in 1968

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (BP)—The dean of Stetson University's College of Law here, Justice Harold L. Sebring, has announced plans to retire effective Sept. 1, 1968, but will remain at the college to teach and write.

Sebring, former chief justice of the Florida Supreme Court, has been dean of the law school since 1955.

Court Takes Appeal

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A by-product of the Supreme Court agreement to review this case may be a further delay in "judicial review" legislation now pending in the House of Representatives. The House Judiciary Committee will not likely take action on judicial review while such a case is pending in the Supreme Court.

The Senate twice has passed a bill providing for judicial review of several federal programs on the grounds that they violate the First Amendment. The bill has been unable to get through the bottleneck in the House of Representatives.

The case now before the Supreme Court is known as *Flaast v. Gardner*. It is against John W. Gardner, secretary of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, and Harold Howe 2nd, U.S. Commissioner of Education.

Among the seven appellants are members of the American Jewish Congress, the United Parents Association, the United Federation of Teachers, the New York Civil Liberties Union and the New York City unit of the National Conference of Parents and Teachers.

National Council Files

The National Council of Churches filed a friend of the court brief asking for a favorable ruling for judicial review. Although the National Council supported the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, it feels that it may have been administered in unconstitutional ways.

The national Council of Churches reports that it was assured at the time the bill was passed that judicial review of the bill was possible. It quoted Rep. Emanuel Celler (D., N.Y.) as saying that "There is no aspect of this bill which raises issues of any significance in the field of church and state that will not be subject to judicial review."

Evo Pfeiffer, noted constitutional lawyer, represents the New Yorkers in their appeal to the Supreme Court. He argued that the Supreme Court has never applied the doctrine of Frothingham to cases involving the First Amendment. But, he said, only the court can decide the answers in this case.

Education Commissioner Harold Howe 2nd is quoted as having said that "the courts would have to clarify what federally financed services could be given to students of church-related schools."

Howe also said that "without court rulings, federal and state agencies will continue to have problems."

The government is arguing that the suit should be dismissed because the appellants have no standing to sue and that their case is too general and not addressed to specific violations of the Constitution.

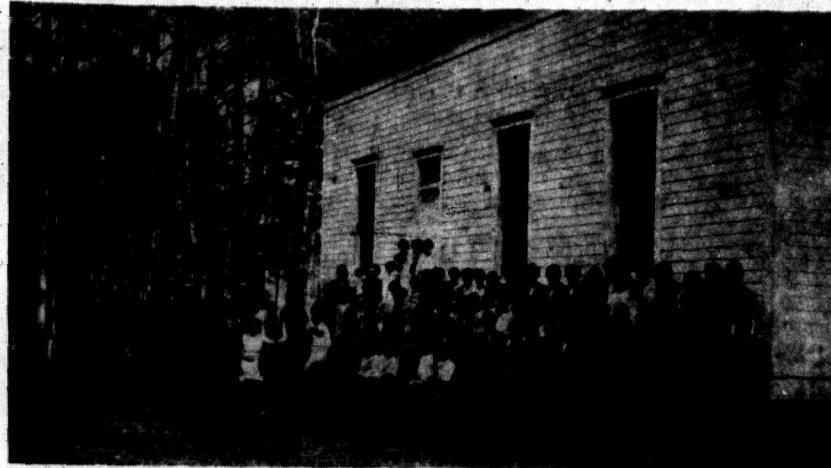
Pfeiffer replied to the government argument that (1) the issue was deliberately narrowed by mutual consent in order to get a case before the court, and (2) it is understood that the way the education act is applied in New York City is the point in the case.

It is anticipated that the case will be argued before the Supreme Court after Christmas and that a decision will be made sometime in the spring of 1968.

ARCHER HAILS REVIEW

WASHINGTON — Glenn L. Archer, executive director of Americans United for Separation of Church and State, applauded the Supreme Court's action in agreeing to review litigation regarding the "standing" problem in challenging expenditures for sectarian school programs under the Elementary and Secondary School Act. "What a relief to know that we may now have a possible opportunity to adjudicate before the Supreme Court the serious church-state issues involved in the federal financing of various forms of aid to religious schools. The apparent denial of the taxpayer's right to challenge in the courts unconstitutional expenditures authorized by the Congress has for many years undermined the efforts of my own organization and other groups to uphold the First Amendment."

Westwood Baptist Church in Meridian voted unanimously to use "Growth in Christian Stewardship" this fall for the first time. Rev. Wendell Gilmore (left), pastor said, "Although we have tripled our giving in five years, we have not yet touched our potential in stewardship." Seen with Mr. Gilmore is Rev. John Alexander, Jackson, director of the Stewardship Department of the State Convention Board.



FRIENDSHIP, McCOMB, on the 100th anniversary of the church, in 1917, was being used as a school because the nearby school had burned.

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Friendship Celebrates Sesquicentennial



FRIENDSHIP, MCCOMB'S present building, shown, was built in 1930. It has been painted and redecorated in the last few months.

By Mrs. Sidney Reeves
Friendship Church, McComb, celebrated its 150th Anniversary on Sunday, October 1. It was a day of inspiring messages, prayers and song, and with the joyous meeting of old friends, former pastors, and members.

The morning services began with a call to worship by the church choir under the direction of Minister of Music, Kenneth White. Invocation was then offered by a former pastor, Rev. Gordon Shambarger, now Chaplain at Mississippi Baptist Hospital, Jackson.

Rev. Charles L. Taylor, pastor of Friendship Church extended the welcome to all guests and the membership of the church. A beautiful rendition by the church organist and pianist was given during

the offertory followed by a choir special.

Rev. D. W. Nix, also a former pastor, now pastoring White Sand Church, Poplarville, brought an inspirational message from the 12th chapter of Romans. Benediction for the morning service, and grace for the noon meal were led by L. D. White, chairman of deacons.

A beautiful noon meal was served by the church in the redecorated fellowship hall. The Hospitality Committee was in charge of serving the food brought by the families of the host church. Some 364 guests were registered during the day, and many that attended did not register.

The Homecoming Service began at 1:30 p. m. with several congregational hymns under the direction of Kenneth White. Prayer was offered by Rev. S. G. Pope, retired minister, of McComb. Pastor Charles L. Taylor read John 15:1-15. Mrs. Jessie Toney, Chairman of the Committee of Committees, introduced the chairmen of the various committees that made the day such a great success. The pastor gave special recognition to former pastors. Those present were as follows: Rev. and Mrs. D. W. Nix, Rev. and Mrs. Gordon Shambarger, Rev. and Mrs. B. T. Bishop.

Ralph Reeves, deacon and chairman of the Historical Committee, gave a presentation of the church's history. The church was founded in 1817, and Mr. Reeves stated

according to the late Dr. J. L. Boyd of our Baptist Historical Commission of Clinton, Miss., this was the most comprehensive history he was ever privileged to compile."

Mr. Reeves spoke of the hardships of the early church fathers, the growth and inspiring struggle throughout the 150-year course. God has richly blessed this church and its members, as is shown in the minutes that date back almost complete since 1817.

Kenneth White brought the special music and Rev. B. T. Bishop, Sr., retired Baptist minister, and former pastor, now serving as interim pastor of Mt. Olive Church, Smithdale, brought a challenging message to the church at the afternoon service.

Alfred "Pete" Wilkinson, vice-chairman of deacons, pronounced the benediction.

The Foundation Story

"The Profit & Loss Reserve."

By Harry L. Spencer
Executive Secretary

Over the years many people over the state have asked several questions concerning the Foundation. The most often asked is, What Is the Foundation? The question we want to answer in this Story is: What is the Profit & Loss Reserve? How did you get this Profit and Loss Reserve? What do you do with The Profit & loss Reserve?

Ten or fifteen years ago the trustees of the Foundation began investing a small percent of the funds in common stock. They only bought the best grade stocks, paid for them and placed the certificates in the lock box at the bank.

As time went by some of these stocks increased in market value. The trustees of the Foundation to begin with adopted a policy that provided that if a stock increased in market value to the point that the dividend we received on the stock was less than 4% on what could be realized on what we could get on the money we could get for the stock, it was sold and the

money reinvested.

The amount received for the stock above what it cost was and is profit. This profit is considered principal, not income and is not distributed but invested and the income on it is distributed to all the institutions and causes whose funds we administer on a percentage basis.

This fund has gradually grown. At the close of this fiscal year June 30, 1967, it was \$423,622.72 since that date there has been added \$39,124.44 bring this fund on this date October 23, 1967, to \$462,727.16.

The trustees are hoping that by the end of the year this may be increased to a half million. This fund protects against any loss that may occur and adds to the income of all participants in the Funds administered by the Foundation.

Cooperative Program giving provides assistance in 23 states under the Program of Pioneer Missions of the Home-Mission Board, 20 of which are not yet organized in state conventions but are related to one or another of the 20 state conventions. One third of the nation's population resides in these states.

Stores Named To Manage Assembly Outlets

NASHVILLE (BP) — The Baptist Book Stores in Dallas and Atlanta will assume responsibility for management of the book stores at Glorieta and Ridgcrest Baptist Assemblies Oct. 1. Keith Von Hagen announced here.

Von Hagen, book store division director for the Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention, said the Dallas and Atlanta stores had been chosen because of their size and location.

Control of the Glorieta book store will be transferred to the combined Dallas - Fort Worth operation in Arlington when it opens about April 1, 1968. Atlanta will manage the Ridgcrest store.

Von Hagen said the stores in the two cities, because of their size and proximity to the assemblies, would be able to absorb the assembly store inventories each fall.

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Colleges Open With Optimism

(Continued From Page 1)

followed by Lincoln County with 42, Copiah County with 41, and Rankin County with 40.

In the breakdown according to states, Mississippi led the list with 1,716. Capturing the second spot in students registered was Florida with 116. Louisiana was third with 87, followed by Tennessee with 51, Alabama with 26, and Georgia with 13.

There are ten international students registered at the college this semester representing India, Korea, Indonesia, Spain, Germany, Persia, Brazil, Japan, Jordan, and Taiwan.

Blue Mountain College

The enrollment at Blue Mountain College for this session is 385, a one percent increase over the previous semester, according to E. Harold Fisher, president.

Of the students enrolled, 60.5 per cent are Mississippians from twenty-nine counties in the state, the largest number of which are from the northern section.

The remaining percentage of students are from eighteen states, the District of Columbia, and four foreign countries. Seventy-three and four-tenths per cent of the student body are Baptist.

There are thirty ministerial students enrolled, and by a survey we have determined one-fourth of the student body plans to enter full-time religious work upon completion of the bachelor's degree, Mr. Fisher said.

"Only 274 students can be housed on the campus. We, therefore, are building a new dormitory to house 108 students as authorized by the Convention last November," Mr. Fisher declared.

The actual construction was begun September 7. The expected date of completion is June 1.

There are seven new faculty members this year, all of whom are outstanding in their respective disciplines, Mr. Fisher added.

Clarke College

The sixtieth session of Clarke College got off to a good start during the first week of September according to Dr. W. Lowrey Compre, president.

Under the leadership of Dean J. Clifford Watson the faculty had held a successful workshop the week before in preparation for the session opening. Also, a thorough orientation program planned and directed by Mr. Victor R. Vaughn, director of Student Personnel services helped the new students to become acquainted with and make the adjustment to college life.

"Because of this excellent preparation the registration procedure went very smoothly and thus far the session has recorded the fewest dropouts to be noted in several years," Dr. Compre said.

The enrollment for the first semester is 272 with students coming from 13 states and three overseas countries. There are 57 students for the ministry and 34 preparing for some other form of vocational Christian service.

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men students for the Fall semester number 439, with the women students only numbering slightly fewer, 392.

The freshmen and junior classes at William Carey College can boast the largest number of students. The freshmen class has 233 registered, the sophomores have 165, the juniors number 210, and the senior class has a total of 155 students. There are 68 persons on campus classified as special students.

"We have every reason to be more optimistic than ever as we face the 1967-68 school year," said Dr. Noonester. "We are beginning a new year with the largest enrollment and with the most highly qualified faculty in the history of our school. Twelve new faculty and staff members were added this year with five holding the Ph. D. degree in their field. Several others are currently working to complete their doctorates during the year."

The entire academic program at Carey this year is under the capable leadership of Dr. Joseph M. Ernest, the new Academic Vice President. The new Cafeteria and Foods Laboratory, under construction at present at Carey's south campus, is scheduled to be completed and occupied by the end of December. This is further evidence of the continued growth of the school. It is the twelfth building in twelve years to be added to the college plant.

MEMBERS of the Northeast Jackson Baptist Mission assembled last Saturday to clean and repair the old Temple Beth Israel building which they will use temporarily.

Northeast Jackson Mission Calls First Pastor

The Northeast Jackson Mission has called Dr. L. Dudley Wilson as pastor. Dr. Wilson will assume his responsibilities on Sunday, October 29.

During the past five years, he has served as pastor of Fairfield, First Church, Birmingham, Alabama. While in Birmingham, he served on the Board of Trustees of Judson College; the Committee on Boards and Commissions, and the Program Committee of the Alabama Baptist State Convention; and various committees of the Birmingham Association and the Birmingham Baptist Pastor's Conference.

Dr. Wilson presently serves as a member of the Board of Trustees of Southeastern Seminary and as president of the Alumni Association of Southeastern Seminary. He has served on the Baptist Education Study Task Committee and on the 70 Onward Committee of the SBC.

His educational background includes a B.A. degree from

WHAT IS A WILL?

A will is a wish—sealed in words.
A will is your last word—unspoken, yet irrevocable.
A will is your philosophy of life—made public forever.
A will is a cameo of your character—internal and external.
A will is your living faith—echoing through the years.
A will is a perpetual participation in things you love—and the state assumes responsibility for its implementation.
A will is your absentee ballot—a vote for things eternal.
A will is your legal resurrection—you "being dead yet speaketh."

If you do not make a will the state will make a will for you.

See your attorney and make your own will according to your intentions.



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WHEN YOU NEED A WILL IT'S TOO LATE TO MAKE ONE

BSSB Joins Group

NASHVILLE (BP) — The Sunday School Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has helped organize a group of Nashville businesses and industries to make equal employment opportunity a reality in the city.

The board was one of eight organizations that met here recently to lay the groundwork for the Nashville Employers' Merit Employment Council.

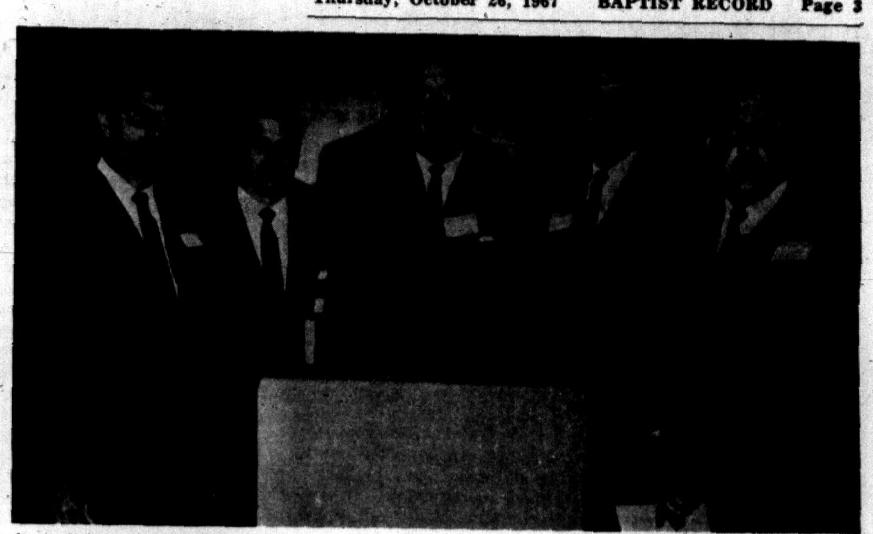
James L. Sullivan, executive secretary-treasurer of the board, said that joining the council is in line with the board's present employment practices.

"Since 1953," Sullivan said, "the board has made no distinction in its salary structure between men and women, Caucasian and non-Caucasian. fringe benefits and other such matters have been the same. Employees are paid by job description regardless of sex or ethnic background."

Sullivan said the Caucasian to non-Caucasian population ratio in Nashville is about 80-20, and that this would be a desirable ratio of employees for the board. But, he added, the board definitely would not lower standards of qualification in order to achieve it.

The board's chief executive added that the board definitely preferred Southern Baptist employees.

"We sincerely believe that a Baptist can work better toward the spiritual purposes of an institution like this," Sullivan said.



A workshop on "Religious Nurture of Retarded Children," sponsored by the Cooperative Missions Department, was held at the Ellisville State School Oct. 17. Several principals in meeting were, from left: Rev. Hollis Bryant, Laurel, superintendent of missions for Jones County Association; Rev. Hardy Denham, Jr., pastor First Church, Ellisville; Dr. Foy Rogers, director of Cooperative Missions Department; Chalmers Lane, director of school, and Paul Cotton, assistant supervisor of special education, State of Mississippi.

Dr. Dudley Wilson

THE EDITORIAL PAGE

Thursday, October 26, 1967

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JOE T. ODLE, Editor

Southern Baptists And Social Action

Southern Baptists are under a barrage of pressure from those who believe that the convention and churches should become more involved in the "social action" programs of the day.

Social action apparently has become the chief concern of some other denominational groups. One has only to read their periodicals, or listen to their leaders, to know they are more concerned about social matters than they are about preaching the Word or seeking to win lost souls.

We would not say that individuals among Southern Baptists are seeking to lead them away from preaching the gospel, but most certainly they are seeking to get Southern Baptists more involved in programs which can be classed only as "social action".

Speakers from Baptist platforms and writers in our periodicals have been crying for our churches to become more involved in the problems of the nation, and of the people, and some Southern Baptist publications appear to be majoring on that emphasis.

The latest evidence of this is a survey made by the Home Mission Board Department of Metropolitan Missions and the Administration Department of the Sunday School Board, which, according to news reports, says that downtown churches are not ministering to the needs of the people in the downtown area. This study was reported in last week's issue of the Baptist Record. Copies of the 259 page study evidently are not yet available to the public.

In proving its contention that the downtown churches are not meeting the downtown needs, the report says that most of the churches are "not meeting the challenges of the problems of poverty, mobility of members, loss of neighborhood pride, crime and delinquency, health conditions, and personal maladjustment."

The report calls attention to the failure of most churches in ministering to Negroes, and in providing family counseling, child-care clinics, medical care, pediatric counseling, psychological counseling, literacy work, etc.

Every one of these above named items is in the "social action" area. We do not question the importance or necessity of a single one of them, but we cannot but question the setting up of standards which adjudicate the success or failure of a downtown church on the basis of whether or not it has any or all of these ministries.

Some of these ministries probably could best be done by church supported institutions, rather than by the church itself. Some of the others, such as medical care or pediatric counseling, in America at least, may

better be done by some other specialized agency.

Two Types of Churches

There are at least two types of downtown churches. Some of them are the great churches which have chosen to remain in the center of the city, but carry on a ministry which stretches for miles in all directions. Others are those churches which, by circumstances beyond their control, find themselves located in deteriorating areas, where many of their former members have moved away, and where changes have come in racial majorities, economic conditions, etc.

Some of the former churches, probably do not have a program with strong appeal for people of low cultural or economic status who may reside in areas nearby, while the latter churches may have become so weakened economically by the exodus of former members, that they find it economically impossible to provide the "social action" needs of the communities around them. Both churches may be failing if their ministry is to be measured by the criteria set by "social action" planners, yet both may be very successful if measured by the spiritual ministry which they are providing for their constituency.

Perhaps the time has come when Southern Baptists will have decided whether they want their work measured by standards set by "social action" groups or by the standards which they so long have used, based upon the great commission of our Lord, and the spiritual concern of the Bible.

Furthermore, they will have to decide how they can meet the responsibility laid upon them by their Lord in helping meet the "social" needs of the people around them. Shall they enlarge their own programs in churches, associations and denominational agencies, through which they so long have worked in seeking to provide a specialized ministry to meet the needs of people, or shall they join in with the social action programs of the government through participation in "poverty" programs, etc.? Some Southern Baptists apparently feel that we must become involved with the government programs and accept the government funds offered as "payment for service rendered" in such ministry.

Some of these Southern Baptists, like some in some other denominations, apparently feel that we should become engaged in these government welfare programs even if it hinders our program of evangelistic effort or "sectarian" witness. These feel that ministering to the needs of people is a Christian responsibility, even as evangelism is a Christian responsibility, and that both should be done even without relationship of one to the other. Other Baptists feel that "social action" should not hinder Christian witness, and that the two may be related, directly or indirectly.

What To Do?

What should Southern Baptists do under such circumstances? We dare to make some suggestions.

1. Southern Baptists should continue to major on evangelism, with their programs centered on soul winning, missions, teaching, spiritual growth, etc., as in the past. It is this New Testament-centered program which has made Baptists what they are today. They must not abandon this emphasis, but rather must enlarge and strengthen it, if they are to retain the position of growth and leadership they have had for the past century. America, and the world still needs churches with evangelistic concern, and Southern Baptists

tists must not turn their leadership in this over to others.

2. At the same time Southern Baptists must enlarge their social concern. This does not mean, however, that they should join with those who would socialize this nation. It does mean that they must become more concerned about the needs of the people about them. Neither the problems of the people in the urban areas, nor those in other areas, can be ignored. It is probable that the convention, through the Home Mission Board, must set up a new type of institutional ministry to help meet these needs, since it is doubtful if individual churches adequately can meet them. Southern Baptists have had institutional ministries in many of these areas before, but a much larger program is needed now. These programs should not lose their evangelistic concern, and should not be engaged in if evangelistic witness is hindered. Perhaps we should not provide food, care or counseling for people simply for the sake of winning them to Christ, but most certainly we should not provide these ministries at a price of not trying to win them to Christ. It is not "either, or," but rather "both, and." We must have both social concern and evangelistic witness.

3. Southern Baptists should not enter into government programs and accept government funds "for services rendered," if evangelistic witness is hindered in so doing. Ordinarily when churches or denominational groups participate in such programs it is with the requirement that they will not use them for "sectarian" activities. Would Baptist witness concerning salvation be "sectarian" activity? Evidently so. If so, churches and denominational groups should not enter into such contracts. They still can encourage their members to engage in these programs and to set up private corporations to work with the government in them. Meanwhile, the church will have its opportunity for evangelistic witness. If the church gives up this witness, there is no one else to do it. If the church fails to enter into "social" programs, there are others who will carry them on. This makes it clear then, that Southern Baptists should not enter programs which will hinder evangelistic witness.

4. Let us keep our downtown churches, both the great ones which minister to the whole city and beyond, the institutional ones, and the small neighborhood ones, and let us not try to force all of them into the same mold. All of them are needed, even as are those in the suburbs, the small towns and in the rural areas. If the institutional church is needed, or if special institutional programs need to be established, let the denomination give the assistance needed in establishing or strengthening them, but let us not try to make all of the churches alike. One type of church will reach some people, and another type is needed to reach others. Let us never lose the great churches which stand as a mighty witness in the heart of our cities, but let us not fail to assist the smaller ones so that they too, can continue their vital ministry.

Present day ministries of all of the churches need to be enlarged to meet world needs, but there is division among Southern Baptists as to how those needs should be met. When the show-down comes, however, and the convention speaks, we are confident that it will speak on the side of continued major emphasis on meeting spiritual needs first, but at the same time will support the enlargement of the ministry in other areas.

The Baptist Forum**ARIZONA AND THE APACHES**

(This letter was received some time ago, but publication was delayed until now.—Editor.)

Dear Dr. Odle:

Enclosed you will find money order for \$2 for renewal subscription to the Baptist Record. Even though we get the Baptist Beacon, the Arizona Baptist publication, we still enjoy our own Mississippi Baptist paper. We have been working in a Baptist mission in Joseph City, Arizona. We find the work in Arizona quite different from our home state. However, we realize the challenge here, as well as the need of pastors, missionaries, and dedicated professionals Christians. The head maid in the motel we manage is a Christian and she has quite a bit of influence on her people.

We are sending you a letter that was printed in the Arizona Republic, written by an Apache Indian (See Editor's Notebook).

When they are converted, and see the Light, they are faithful to the end, as you can see by this letter.

Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Clark
P.O. Box 651
Holbrook, Arizona

Blanket Questionnaires

Dear Dr. Odle:

I received a letter in my morning mail that disturbed me considerably. It consisted of a questionnaire and note from the pastor explaining that his church was searching for a Minister of Music and Education. It appeared that the mimeographed questionnaire had been sent to every man whose name appeared in the Convention Annual.

Quite frankly, I resented the implication. Churches do not go about securing their pastors on that basis. Since this is the second such questionnaire I have received in recent months, plus additional observation, I am led to wonder if some of our pastors are permitting themselves and their churches to look up on the preaching ministry as the only field into which God calls His laborers? There

seems to be the insinuation that pastors are to be "called" to churches and other staff members are to be "hired and fired" as they might be in some secular job.

Let me hasten to say that I recognize the pastor's administrative leadership and responsibility, as every pastor will verify. I'm not in the least jealous for anything the pastor may have in the way of prestige, recognition, salary, friendships, etc. I can think of nothing I'd rather be than a Minister of Music and Education in a Baptist church. I do, however, feel very strongly that God has called me into this ministry just as much as He has any pastor anywhere. I only wish that more of our churches and pastors would recognize this fact, and show more respect for their staff members' calling than some indicate with their blanket questionnaires.

Sincerely,
An Associate Pastor



Opinions about morals certainly do change. This was evidenced in Variety September 13 when it reported the film "Gone With the Wind," 28 years after its initial release was re-rated by the National Catholic Office of Motion Pictures. The picture now is judged as "morally unobjectionable for adults and adolescents." Back in 1939 when the film first came out it was rated as "morally objectionable in part for all," the following objection was registered "The low moral character, principles and behavior of the main figures as depicted in the film; suggestive implications; the attractive portrayal of the immoral character of a supporting role in the story." In the re-rating statement the Catholic Office for Motion Pictures stated "The Social changes following World War II have made what once appeared as daring scenes seem almost innocent on the screen today."

**TEEN-AGE APACHE CONFIDENT OF GOD**

An article in the Dec. 25 Republic has been bothering me into writing my say about it.

I am a teen-aged Apache Indian. The article insinuated more or less, that Christ's existence on earth or otherwise may or may not be true. The article has caused a lot of talk in our family. We don't agree with writer Colin Cross.

I was raised to worship pagan gods and idols. My family used witchcraft (certain ones, that is). We were firm and content with our heathen beliefs.

Then one day, one glorious day, we found Jesus Christ as our personal Savior. And believe you me, Indians, especially Apaches, aren't easily moved or waver to another religion. It is a lifelong belief and we aren't supposed to forsake it, much less for a white man's religion.

But we saw this thing was real!

I have a "know-so" religion deep down inside of me. I know that there is a God up in heaven and I know that there was a Man who walked the shores of Galilee because through His atoning blood I found my salvation and by His stripes I am healed! I believe every word of the Bible.

Cross said what he said according to the Dead Sea Scrolls, while disregarding the Bible. Why doesn't he take time out to read the Bible from cover to cover? In those pages are words of truth, love, and life!

It seems that things like what he said are always coming from London. A certain person also from London said the members of his group were more popular than Christ. I hope people will not give an ear to that kind of talk.

America is supposed to be a God-fearing nation founded by people who fled from their own countries to find liberty and freedom of worship.

LEWIS WILLIAMS, Peridot, Arizona

There are now 607 active duty Southern Baptist chaplains in all-types of service whose work is supported by Cooperative Program giving.

Calendar of Prayer

(This list is not compiled according to birthdays)

October 26—L. D. Wall, Grenada - Yalobusha Supt. of missions; Ann Burnside, Baptist Book Store.

October 31—Don Stewart, faculty, William Carey College; Nancy T. Thomas, faculty, William Carey College.

November 1—Eldon T. Jenkins, staff, Children's Village; Karl K. McGraw, staff, Children's Village.

November 2—G. Edward Ludlow, faculty, Blue Mountain College; Feriel Forbes, faculty, Blue Mountain College.

November 3—Mrs. Betty Barnham, Baptist Building; Mrs. Brenda Stephen, Baptist Building.

November 4—Mrs. J. Clifford Watson, faculty, Clarke College; Betty Jane Frew, BSU director, Hinds Junior College.

November 5—Mrs. Kathryn M. Holland, faculty, Miss. College; Marion E. Hutton, faculty, Miss. College.

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An introduction to the philosophical theology of the systematic theologian Paul Tillich.

THEOLOGY AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA by Peter G. Hatch and Harry R. Poole (Baker), 106 pp., paperback, \$1.25.

An unusual essay on the relationship of theology to African rural development, written by two missionaries with Sudan United Missions in northern Nigeria.

THE BOOK OF AMOS by Page H. Kelley (Baker), paperback, 56 pp., \$1.25.

An instructive introduction and clear and logical outline of the Book of Amos, followed by a brief but thorough commentary. The author is Professor of Old Testament Interpretation at Southern Seminary.

THE BOOK OF REVELATION by Charles de Sante (Baker), paperback, \$1.50, 112 pp.

A brief commentary on the Book of Revelation from the premillennial point of view.

Today's Youth

AN EXERCISE IN UNDERSTANDING

Cleveland Young People Visit Churches In North

Note: Milton Burd and Rev. Macklyn Hubbell took the young people of First Church, Cleveland on an interesting trip in August. It was a trip to acquaint the youth of Cleve-

land with the youth of the American Baptist Convention. The following article reflects a part of the spirit of the trip taken by 30 young people and five sponsors.



FOREST HOSTS BANQUET

Forest Church hosted an On-To-College Day Banquet just prior to the start of the school year.

Approximately 100 young people attended the banquet that had as its theme, "Stairway To Success." The fellowship hall was decorated with college banners.

The program was carried out with young people of the church, some of whom are pictured above. Larry Roberts, student at Ole Miss, was master of ceremonies; Martha Noble Lee, student at Mississippi College and Forest's Miss Hospitalit, gave a humorous reading; Billy Ray Dill, all-star half-back at Mississippi College, gave the challenging message; Jimmy Fairchild, student at University of Southern Mississippi, gave a personal testimony; and Mercer Lee III, student at Mississippi College, sang several songs. Others not pictured also participated.

A. V. Windham, Minister of Education and Youth at the Forest Church, was in charge of this special emphasis. Rev. Frank Gunn is pastor.

A BACKWARD LOOK

Busy Summer In Inverness

This summer was a busy one — especially for the youth of First Church, Inverness, led by a teenage Youth Council and by summer, youth director Kenny Morton. In the beginning, the Juniors had a week of Bible School. Next in sequence came the County Fair — a party for which the teens decorated for three days. Included in the admission fee were pizza, souvenir color photos, games, and prizes.

The Juniors went to Music Week at Gulfshore the first week in July; they were followed by the teenagers for the second Music Week.

An hour-long color film, "Misfit," was shown. Then there was the six-mile Bike

Hike to an Indian mound for supper and a fake treasure hunt.

As July slipped into August, the Baptists slipped into the Methodist church for their special Activities Week. But the Methodists didn't seem to care, for they had been to Baptist gatherings, too!

And then on August 11 the Juniors headed for the woods and a 12-hour day camp — complete with fishin', hayrides, and a bonfire. The following weekend was a climax for the teenagers as 48 of them took a hayride to a retreat at Leroy-Percy State Park. In spite of rain and mud, the time spent there was well spent, especially for those who made decisions. The final fitting,

filling highlight of the summer was the Annual Church Picnic with the Baptist kind people — growing in an amount of food.

The Youth Council, composed of and elected by teenagers, included Don Bell, Rose Bell, Drew McDowell, Sally Pratt, Jackie Reedy, and Jann Wall.

The youth director, Kenny Morton, son of Rev. and Mrs. Dan Morton of Amory, has returned to Mississippi College where he is a Junior majoring in Chemistry.

Calvary, Tupelo, Youth Choir To Sing In Folk Musical

The Music Ministry of Calvary Church, Tupelo has announced that its Youth Choir will begin work on a musical based on religious folk music. The program, called "Good News," will take approximately eight months to perfect. It will contain dialogue, professional staging, piano, guitar, string bass, maracas, drums, etc., as accompaniment.

When the Youth Choir has learned the musical it will perform the program for local groups, then take to the highways on a tour that will embrace the states of Arkansas, Texas, Oklahoma, and Colorado.

Jack Day, minister of music for the Calvary Church, stated, "Our youth are seeking something different and exciting, not only for challenge but for an instrument to reach other young people. This idea in no way takes from the regular channels of religious education and training; nothing could replace the Sunday school and the church. If we, however, can capture the excitement, the originality, the enthusiasm of these 'arms on feet' and harness them for good and use that just for telling the Gospel story . . .

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Drawing by Jackie Lowery, Jackson Intermediate.

Camp, Guyana Style

By Mary Love
Missionary to Guyana

Camp, Guyana Baptist style, is a fascinating and unique experience.

Camp Gothen is about 75 miles — but a full day's travel — from the capital city of Georgetown. Many of those going to camp arrive in Georgetown the day before from churches in other parts of Guyana and bunk overnight with missionaries or other friends.

All rise before daybreak to take an early ferry over the Demerara River. Then follows an hour's train ride to Parika, where they catch another ferry for the six-hour trip up the mighty brown Essequibo River.

Up-river they gingerly lower themselves from the ferry into small bally-hoos (flat-bottomed motorboats) for the last stage of the journey to Camp Goshen.

Campers wash dishes in large gasoline drums cut in half, swim in the river, and hike through the jungle.

They share the inspiration of worship in a natural chapel under the trees and vines with logs for seats and a stump for a pulpit. They gaze at the dying embers of the campfire.

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CAMP CRESTRIDGE FOR GIRLS, Ridgecrest, North Carolina

—These young ladies were campers and staffers from Mississippi during this summer's second session, 1967. The camp excels in campcrafts, drama, handcrafts, landsports, music, riding and swimming. And a distinctive in the program is the spiritual emphasis. Pictured above are (campers): Laura Baggett, Virginia Rollins, Mary Starrett. (Staffers) Nancy Holland, Carol Baddele, Mary Ann Harrington, Linda Edwards, and Miss Johnnie Armstrong, assistant camp director.



THE NINE-YEAR-OLD GIRLS in First Church in Booneville have collected items to send to relatives in Vietnam. Shown above, left to right: Pam Martin, Mary Greene, Lisa Prichard, Bonnie Cadle, Melba McCoy; Mrs. O. C. Robinson, teacher; Lady Ann Stone; Freida Parker. Seated in front is Paula Eaton. Standing is Paul Mundinger, Superintendent of the Junior Department. Testaments were included in the boxes. Other items were razor blades, shaving cream, pens, stationery, bath cloths, sewing kits, soap, tooth brushes, tooth paste, deodorant, and magazines.—(Photo by Nunley)

their guests for an evening. Naturally, some of these churches had reservations, but they were kind enough not to express them.

A typical meeting of Baptists (Southern and American) was in Fairbury, Nebraska, a town of five or six thousand people. After depositing our bags in the appropriate motel rooms, we met our new Baptist friends at a local park for hot dogs and informal talks. Naturally they wanted to know about our church, and race relations in our state. We tried to be honest and sincere in our expressions. After the informality of the park, we were taken to their church where we toured their building and exchanged reports on our churches. Some punch and cookies and a swimming party at the local pool preceded some sad goodbyes and exchanges of addresses: "Goodbye for now. Be sure to write or better still, call."

Our exhausted young people found their seats on our green church bus and began to reflect: "Their church is like ours. They call their organizations by different names." "Both Bill and Jane reminded me of Harry and Sue in Cleveland." "They asked us about our social problem in Mississippi but confessed that they thought their local problems as well as ours were different. They are just Baptists in another part of the United States."

Who knows? Maybe this will be taken by another Baptist group in Jackson, Corinth or Moss Point. Who knows? Maybe enough of these trips will be taken to eliminate many misunderstandings on their parts as well as ours. After all, misunderstandings are due to lack of understanding.

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LEFT TO RIGHT: Bottom row: Bert Newsome, George Crawford, Jolly Mayfield, Glenn Arnold, Jim Arnold, David Newsome, Reggie Wells, Johnny Shields, and Bennie Joe Hollingsworth; 2nd row: Pat Newsome, Mike Hollingsworth, David Sullivan, Randy Creel, Johnny Bishop, Buddy Scifres, Randy Langston, and Joe Shields. Top row: Bobby Kinard, Carey McCay, Paul Black, Greg Adams and Randy Horne.

Midway Boys Win Softball Tournament

The R. A. Softball team, ages 12-14, of Midway Church, Jackson, won the State R. A. Invitational Softball Tournament held in Jackson, August 18-22. The team went undefeated in the double elimination tournament. Prior to this, the boys had finished second in the Jackson Baptist Church League for boys 14 and under.

Jolly Mayfield, Jim Arnold, David Newsome, and Reggie Wells were selected as All Stars during the regular season. The team itself selected Jim Arnold as most valuable player and Johnny Shields as winner of the outstanding sportsmanship trophy.

The boys were honored with a banquet Saturday, September 23, in the Church Fellowship Hall. Bobby Shows, Director of Education and Activities at Woodland Hills Church, Jackson, was speaker.

Coaches for the team were Bennie Joe Hollingsworth and Rev. W. Benton Preston.

University Church Expands Youth Program

David DeBord and Darby Sowell have begun work as ministers to youth at University Church, Hattiesburg, marking a significant expansion of the church's ministry to youth.

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David DeBord



Darby Sowell

says that the new programs for the church's youth include fellowships, dialogues, outings, retreats, and special service projects.

IF YOU CAN'T FIND ONE—MAKE ONE!

By Elsie Pederson

Have you watched Grandma's eyes gleam as she measured with her hand, sprinkled in a few spices, and stirred with a wooden spoon?

"Looks good, Grandma! What's the recipe?"

"Couldn't tell you, dear. Just a little of this and that!"

"Where did you get it, Grandma? I could find it and write it down!"

"Didn't get it, child. Couldn't find one I liked—so I MADE ONE!"

Recently, in a class session, we were discussing effective use of words. We compared many words — some good — some bad — and we changed them all to better ones! Occasionally we could not think of a better one. Our Ph. D. teacher surprised us when he said, "If you can't find one—make it! Just put two words together, or parts of two words, and MAKE the one you want! This is remarkable!"

sharp kids? What's the matter with you? You're God's man! God's woman! YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE to MAKE your youth meeting what it should be! Don't wait for someone else! YOU ARE THE LEAD! IF YOU CAN'T FIND WHAT YOU WANT — MAKE IT!

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will direct you and give you

the push that YOU need to

be a leader for good! YOU

can change your circumstances!

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atmosphere that YOU create.

Your church will change.

Your community will im-

prove! Your school will come

alive! YOU need to shoulder

your responsibility and MAKE IT what it should be!

Take it easy on your teach-

ers — (if you want any grades

at all) — but talk over the

school problems with them.

Chances are they can improve the school!

And now — "Youth meet-

ings are a bore." What have

YOU done to improve them?

WHY are they a bore? Need

to use them accurately. The dictionary, also, is the best source for making new words. When the source is accurate — the product will be an asset. The source we have been given for the recipe of life is the HOLY SCRIPTURE. There we find the PERFECT ingredients for any area of life. The scripture is as the dictionary for making words. Whatever develops out of the scriptures is sure to be successful.

The amount of each spicy Word for you to use in the product of life will be determined through much experience, and intensive concentration. Counsel with the originator of the Words will invariably supply the direction needed.

You have the ingredients—the Dictionary—and an ALL-WISE COUNSELOR. Now—if YOU cannot FIND what you want — in YOUR circumstances in life—MAKE IT!

Several Tour Groups Planned For 1968

Mississippi Baptist young people will be well represented at the Baptist World Youth Conference, scheduled to meet in Berne, Switzerland next summer according to Dr. Clyde C. Bryan, manager of Bryan Tours.

The young people will travel in groups conducted by experienced leaders. In addition to the Berne Conference all groups will travel to the major cities of Europe and two will proceed on to the Holy Land. The Youth Conference is scheduled for July 22-28, 1968.

The demand for reservations in Berne far exceeded the space available, according to Dr. Robert S. Denny, of the Baptist World Alliance. The groups from Mississippi will have the privilege of staying in Swiss homes during their stay in Berne.

Some groups will stay in the outlying cities near Berne, using hotels. While many tour groups are conducted by Mississippi leaders, they will be open to young people from other states. Dr. Bryan urges those within the state to make their reservations with the group they select because requests for information are coming from several states.

The tour groups which are conducted by Mississippi leaders are as follows:

Pope-Hubbell Tour conducted by Rev. Bradley Pope, Mississippi College, and Rev. Macklyn W. Hubbell of First Church, Cleveland. This tour will visit Madrid, Naples, Rome, Berne, Frankfurt, Am-

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Madison Dedicates New Pastorium

MADISON CHURCH recently dedicated their new pastorium, (top photo). The four-bedroom home was built on a spacious lot at the approximate cost of \$27,000. The pastor of the church is Rev. Billy McKay. In bottom photo are members of the Building Committee: front row, l to r: Shad Weeks, Mrs. D. E. Burt, Mrs. Ben McMillon; second row, l to r: Marshall Warwick, W. C. Thornton, P. L. Hughes.

Taylorsville WMU Gives Offering As Memorial To Mrs. Hankins

A state mission offering of \$375.00 was given through the W.M.U. of First Church, Taylorsville in memory of Mrs. G. C. Hankins, Sr.

Mrs. Hankins, who died September 11 of this year, was always an ardent supporter of all the mission offerings and endeavors of her church. As long as her health

booked on scheduled airlines. All have rooms with private baths and are far above the minimal accommodations and services offered by slightly cheaper tours.

Dr. Bryan will go to Berne to assist all tour groups handled by his firm and also to help in the travel problems relative to the Conference. He was invited to Switzerland in April by Swissair and the agencies as their guest to work out details.

The W.M.U. felt that the life of Mrs. Hankins could continue to count for state missions through the offering given in her honor.

Rev. G. W. Horn is pastor of the Taylorsville Church.

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DISTRICT FESTIVALS

February 1, 2, & 3, 1968

The 1968 District Festivals will be held in seventeen churches throughout our state for participants in piano, vocal, and song leading exercises. It is the hope of the Church Music Department that the young people involved in these District Festivals will use the experience as a means for glorifying God through the ministry of music.

Rules for Piano Participants

1. The piano festival is open to those nine years of age through high school age.
2. Each participant selects one hymn to play. The hymn should be selected from Baptist Hymnal, Broadman Hymnal, Christian Praise, or Junior Hymnal.
3. The following procedure should be observed in playing the hymn:
 - a. Immediately before playing his hymn, each participant will announce the name of the hymn, the composer, and the key in which the hymn is written.
 - b. The participant will play the hymn as written.
 - c. He will play the hymn while the congregation sings one stanza. (A song leader will be furnished.)
 - d. He will play a variation suitable for offertory, either original or transcription. If a transcription is used, a portion equal to the length of one stanza of the hymn should be played.
4. The hymn player will be judged on Interpretation, Accuracy, Tone, Other Effects, and Appearance.
5. The participant is not required to play the hymn and variation from memory.
6. There is no restriction on the number of participants who may enter from any one church.
7. All participants should be pre-registered by January 15, 1968. Registration forms may be secured from the Church Music Department, P. O. Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi; or one may use the form included in the pamphlet "District Festivals" presently being circulated to churches throughout the state by mail. Mail this completed form to the Church Music Department.
8. In addition to playing a hymn, high school students may also play one classical selection approved by the District Festival Committee. This selection must be memorized, and the participant is to furnish the judge with a copy of the music.
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MAGNOLIA PARK CHURCH, Jackson, has presented perfect attendance pins to the above persons. Back row, l to r: Joe Buffington, five years; Jess Buffington, six years; Rev. Jasper Collins, pastor (four years); middle row: Keith Collins, five years; Ricky Buffington, six years; Wayne Buffington, six years; front row: Royce Williams, six years; Melissa Jean Williams, six years.

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COLONIAL HILLS BEGINS BUILDING

Colonial Hills Church, 1127 Colonial Hills Drive, Southaven, has awarded a contract for \$96,794.40 to Adkerson, Hosse and Robbins Construction Company, for the construction of the second unit of their building program. The new unit will be a two-story educational building with 10,864 square feet of floor space providing for approximately 450 in Sunday school and 450-75 in worship services.

Provision will be made for three primary departments, two junior and one young people's department on the second floor. On the first floor the space will be used for worship and eleven class rooms for adults by use of a folding door arrangement.

Sunday, October 8, Colonial Hills Church began two morning worship services at 8:30 and 11:00 A.M., and has provided temporary Sunday school space for four adult men's classes and one department of primaries until construction is complete on the new building.

Colonial Hills Church, with a present membership of

about 400, began as a mission of Southaven Church in April of '65. It was constituted into a church January 16, 1966. Approximately four acres of land for future building were secured on Colonial Hills Drive. Rev. Ervin Brown, associational superintendent of missions, served as mission pastor until the present pastor Rev. J. D. Nazary, assumed his duties in March of '66.

The first unit of the building program was occupied in August of '66, which, along with a mobile chapel purchased by DeSoto Baptist Association with help from various churches over the state, has provided the available space for enrolling almost 800 in Sunday school and providing for the worship services thus far.

Recently the church purchased two additional lots adjacent to their present property, which should provide adequate space for future building and parking. When the new construction is completed the total value of the church property will be in excess of \$186,000.

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The Sunday School Lesson

THE INTERNATIONAL LESSON

True Worship Vs. Popular Religion

By Clifton J. Allen
Amos 4:4-5; 5:21-24; 8-9

The prophet Amos was an interpreter of true religion as well as a champion of social justice. Again and again, he related the appropriate downfall of Israel to her forsaking God. The ruthless exploitation of the poor and the abandonment to self-indulgence resulted from a false concept of God and the breaking of the relationship with him.

The Lesson Explained Popular Religion

Amos used sarcasm to describe popular religion in Israel. He seems to invite the people to come to worship and carry on their baseless iniquity at the same time. Pure sarcasm indeed! The words of Amos, however, indicate that religion was enjoying peak and acceptance. The people went to Bethel and Gilgal and other places of religious importance. They went beyond requirements in offering sacrifices and giving tithes. There was no lack of religion. The trouble was so much false religion. The worship of Baal and other idols was blended with the worship of Jehovah. The people engaged in religion as a matter of custom without any concern for holiness and justice.

Hypocritical Worship

These verses—some of the best known in the prophecy of Amos—describe the perversion of the worship of Jehovah. The people of Israel observed feast days and attended solemn assemblies scrupulously. They offered burnt offerings and meat offerings generously. But all of it was an offense to the Lord. God was insulted by such hypocrisy. He had despised religious sham. God would not accept their worship because it was not the expression of reverence and faith and obedience. They were taking God's name in vain by mere pretense. Their praise had no sense of God's righteousness and majesty; their prayers had nothing of contrition and humility; their ceremonies were not matched by love for God or justice toward man.

Practical Idolatry

We should turn back to the first lesson of this month to note the exposition of these verses as descriptive of the times of the prophets. Amos declared the indictment of the Lord against the people of Israel for cruel injustice and extreme greed. This was particularly true of the ruling classes. The people were guilty of practical idolatry. Actually, money had become their god. Their greed for gain was so strong that they resented any interruption to business by a feast or a sabbath; and their greedy spirit led them on to the point of robbery, extortion, and absolutely heartless injustice. They would bribe or defraud or steal or exploit or do anything for the sake of money. This, more than anything else, was the fatal issue in Israel. No one can worship God and mammon. They who do worship mammon will ultimately reap the judgment of God.

Truths to Live By

Religion without true devotion to God is mockery. The forms and rituals of religion are not enough. Membership in the church is not enough. Attendance on religious services is not enough. Not even tithes and offerings for religious causes are enough. All this can be an expression of popular religion, while the hearts of the persons involved are corrupt with pride and covetousness and deceit and impurity. Religion without repentance toward God and faith in Jesus Christ is empty

and useless. Religion which is redemptive and transforming, which brings peace and strength, is marked by love for God which becomes the controlling principle of life. It is hypocrisy to say, "Lord, Lord," and not do what Christ commands.

Acceptable worship requires sincerity and moral purpose. Let all persons who believe in God through Jesus Christ search their hearts and examine their motives as they worship before the Lord. There is a strong evidence that multitudes of Christians have been ensnared by the secularism and sordidness of a crooked and corrupt generation. There is much evidence of compromise about profanity, the use of beverage alcohol, sex immorality, dishonesty in personal matters and business dealings, and prejudice or hatred toward other persons. All such evidence points to the cancer of iniquity which makes acceptable worship of the holy God utterly impossible. God requires clean hands and a pure heart.

True worship stimulates confession and compassion. God is the Holy One. No person can come before God in worship, therefore, without feeling something of his unworthiness. But confession leads to the forgiveness of sin by the God of mercy and grace. Likewise, the experience of worship results in sharing something of God's concern for all persons. One feels something of the burden of God for broken, divided, destitute humanity—lost in sin, impoverished by hunger, crushed by oppression, and enslaved by evil.

LIFE AND WORK CURRICULUM—

God's Worshiper Must Be Just

By Bill Duncan
Deut. 16:18-20
Micah 6:6-8
Matt. 5:22-24

What kind of man can worship God? In the next few weeks we will study the characteristics of the man who does worship God. This week we begin the study of the just.

For a man to be just means that he is a righteous person. When one comes to worship, he finds that his life is either accepted by God or he must be rejected. So often when there is sin in the life of one who is supposed to worship, he will not draw near to God. God is a holy God and demands holiness of his followers. If one's life is lived according to God's will, then one must live a perfect life.

Just also speaks of a man being fair in his dealings with his fellow man. If one is just toward God, then he will be just toward his brother. For a man to be just toward God he must have the right relationship. Romans 5:1 says that man is made just by faith in God. After he is in the right relationship, he then must keep the fellowship from being marred because of sin.

Micah said that the worshipper must do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly if he is just before the Lord.

Do Justly
Deut. 16:18-20

Not only is it necessary that a man know the law to be a judge, but he also must be just in his dealing with God's people. If the people would ever develop a God-fearing nation, then there must be equal justice for all. The re-

sponsibility was placed upon the leadership as God's representatives to show no respect for friendship, money, or color in the carrying out of the religious and civil laws.

This demand is placed upon all persons as a requirement to do the right thing in the sight of God. All people are given opportunities in thought and actions to be judge of other people. Our judgment should be fair and impartial. We should not seek to use man for our own interests nor demand of him that for which we would be condemned by God. In the end, our judgments will become the rule by which we will be judged in the sight of God and man.

Love Mercy
Matt. 5:22-24

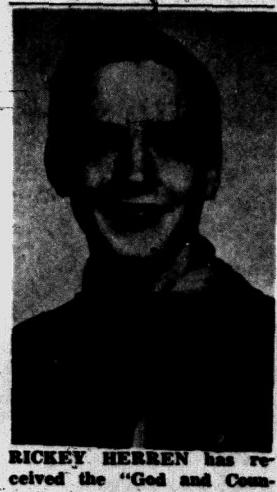
In the Beatitudes Jesus made it clear that for one to be forgiven by God, he must be forgiving toward his brother. Therefore, it is best for one to have a spirit that seeks of forgiveness if one would truly worship God.

This may speak of concern for other people. In the book of Micah, so many times unconcern is the condemnation of the people. We need to have God's concern for persons. If one is merciful, he will show love in action.

Love and mercy speak of the same need.

Walk Humbly

Humility is one of the hardest virtues for modern man, because man needs to come to see himself in relation to God. This relationship is best seen in the experience of Moses at the burning bush scene. God even asked Moses to take off his shoes. David put on sackcloth and ashes upon his head to bring himself before God in humility. In both experiences, God was to be superior to fear.



RICKY HERREN has received the "God and Country" Scouting award which Pastor Leroy O. Craven presented on behalf of Harmony Church, Laurel. Rickey, the son of Master Sergeant and Mrs. Oscar T. Herren, is a member of Harmony Church, along with his parents and sister, Brenda. He is a Junior High Student at Northwest Attendance Center, Jones County. Joe Shoemaker is his Scout Master.

Big Creek Calls Interim Pastor

Big Creek Church, Wayne County, has called Rev. Roland and William Smith as interim pastor. He began his duties October 8.

The church has welcomed him and his wife into their community.

man. God is our creator and we are His children.

"To walk humbly with thy God" describes a way of life where one's worship affects the way he lives. In this respect, religion is not segregated to Sunday or a certain area of his life, but is vital to all that he is or does. If one walks with God, it means a life of fellowship and companionship with God. This fellowship enables one to worship in the spirit of respect and takes out the spirit of fear.

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DEVOTIONAL

A Christian's Equipment

By Harold D. Scott, Pastor, Byhalia Ephesians 6:11

I amazement when I try to picture the vast amount of equipment man has invented. There is equipment for almost every job. If there isn't, just give man some time and he will develop and build the equipment to do the job, better and faster.

The Christian needs equipment to do his work. For spiritual work, he needs spiritual equipment.

The Christian's work is actually a warfare, a fight for the hearts of men. There are two powers striving for men's hearts, the power of God and the power of Satan. The Christian, as the child of God, is fighting Satan.

The only way the Christian can win for God is to use the equipment God has made available for him.

The Apostle Paul, in writing to the Ephesians, reminds them of the warfare and the equipment. He calls it the armour of God. Here the Christian is compared to a soldier who must put on armour for the battle.

Life is seen to be a battle. The enemies are manifold. It is not against flesh and blood that the Christian fights. The foes are spiritual characters. How is one to withstand the assault of so many? Paul said there was one way, by becoming "strong in the Lord, and the strength of his might."

I. BUCKLE ON THE BELT OF TRUTH. In Oriental warfare the belt is all-important. It binds the soldier into a unity and makes him feel compact and firm. Truth, which is God's truth in man, is what gives compactness to our whole being. When Jesus is realized as the embodied "truth," when He is felt to be dwelling within us, then we gain unity and strength.

II. HAVE ON THE COAT OF INTEGRITY. The Christian is to have a spirit of righteousness. There is a divine righteousness coming into us and filling our being. The integrity of our every action can stand the test. It is to be "God-like" in all our attitudes.

III. LET THE SHOES ON YOUR FEET BE THE GOSPEL OF PEACE. The Christian has ceased to be self-centered. The gospel of peace is to be sent around the world. We want to see the progress of peace in the world. We are never so safe as when the safety of others has become our greatest concern. To be on firmer footing we must have the gospel of peace. To have the gospel we must be at peace with God.

IV. LET THE SHIELD OF FAITH QUENCH ALL ASSAULTS OF SATAN. Satan appeals to passion and through the appetites. Nothing but faith can vanquish him. As we live by faith in God through Jesus Christ who rules the universe and dwells within us, Satan finds himself defeated.

V. TAKE SALVATION FOR A HELMET. Faith is to lead us to the assurance of salvation. If soldiers believe themselves destined to be victorious, they will strain every nerve to make themselves so. When we have the assurance of victory through our indwelling Lord, we can do valiant things for him.

VI. LET THE WORD OF GOD BE THE CHRISTIAN'S OFFENSIVE WEAPON. This is the sword which he is to lay around his life. The Bible is a powerful weapon. It cuts men to the heart. There is no other such discernment of the thoughts and intents of men's hearts. The Christian who masters the Word of God will be most powerful among his fellows.

VII. LET THE ATTITUDE OF THE CHRISTIAN BE A PRAYERFUL LIFE. The Christian is not to fight the battle of life in his own power. He receives power and strength through prayer.



WILLIAM CAREY COLLEGE HOMILETICS PROFESSOR, Dr. B. F. Smith (left), and ministerial students, Tommy Gilder and Wayne DuBose, prepare to move into place five pieces of pulpit furniture recently donated to the school by the Magnolia Street Church, Laurel. The furniture, replaced by new at the Laurel church, was gratefully received by the Homiletics Department as added equipment for the preparation of ministerial students. It will be used in the classroom to simulate a church platform situation. Dr. Smith is currently serving as interim pastor for the Magnolia Street Church.

REVIVAL DATES



RCA recording artist, song leader; Dr. Allen Webb, pastor.

Friendship, Natchez: October 23-29; services at 7:30 p.m.; Rev. Lavelle Entrekkin, evangelist; Rev. Archie Ezell, pastor; homecoming day was held Oct. 22, with dinner on the grounds.

McLaurin Heights, Jackson: October 29-November 5; Rev. S. W. Valentine, pastor of Southside Church, Jackson, evangelist; Tom Larrimore, singer; Rev. J. C. Renfroe, pastor.

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PROVIDENCE CELEBRATES 149TH ANNIVERSARY

By Mrs. Estelle B. Harris
Providence Church of Leavenworth Association celebrated homecoming on its 149th anniversary, Sunday, Oct. 1.

The pastor, Rev. Robert Jones, preached the morning message. John W. Davis, minister of music, directed special music.

A picture of this building hangs in the vestibule of the present building.

Mississippi history reflects the fact that it was not only a place of worship, but was also well a place of instruction for the learning of the three R's.

The noon day meal was served on the church grounds with members bringing picnic baskets. Fellowship followed with former members, new members, and visitors getting acquainted and reminiscing.

Church History

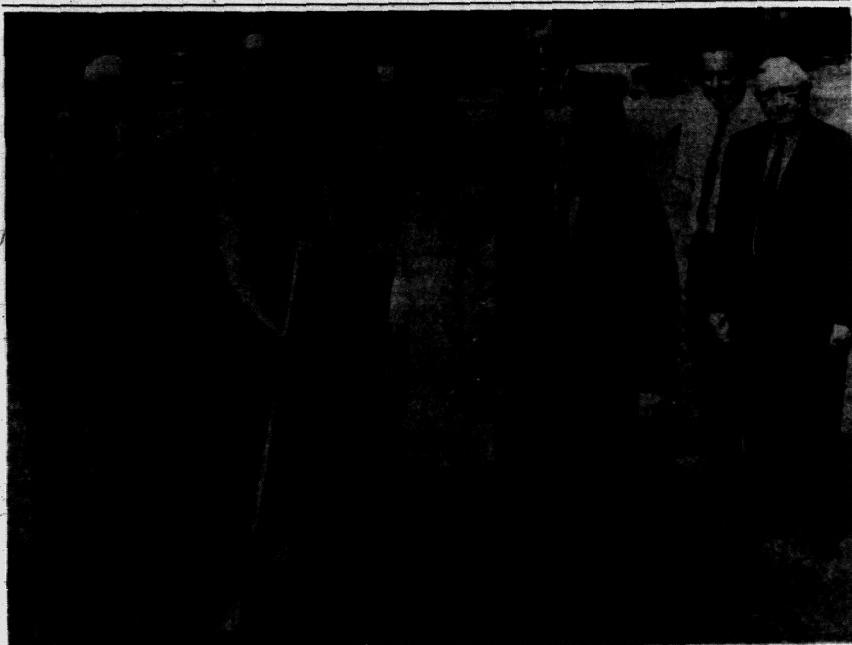
On Saturday, Oct. 3, 1818, an assembly of people met at a new place on Johnson's Mill creek, in Lawrence County (now Providence Creek in Forrest County) for the purpose of organizing themselves into a Baptist church. Their first building was of logs, with a wide open fireplace in one

sense was cause of exclusion. The killing of a deer on Sunday that had been wounded on Saturday was a consideration on one conference day. This brother was forgiven at the time, but the church excluded him later for overcharging a brother for some potato plants!

Sociables, parties, dancing, drinking, were practices that were strictly forbidden and the cause for many explanations and exclusions from the church in former days.

This writer is a daughter of a former church clerk, the late G. A. Burkett; remember reading the minutes of the very first organization. These writings were written in long hand, of English script. These records are preserved for safe keeping.

Descendants of the charter members are very active in Providence Church today.



DUCK HILL CHURCH recently broke ground for the construction of an addition to the present building. Many guests and former members were present for the dinner on the grounds. The two oldest members (members for 61 years) present were C. A. Wilkins and Mrs. Eva Hill, and the youngest member present was Roxanne Stewart. Mrs. Charlie Able, wife of a deceased deacon, received recognition, as her husband was the first to donate to the building fund. Shown above, left to right: Houston Bennett, building superintendent; J. M. Leigh, Curtis Riley, Norman Ezell, Mrs. Bob Lancaster (with shawl), Doreen Lancaster, Mrs. L. L. Branscomb, Jr., Ethna Branch, Rev. Donnie Stewart, pastor; E. B. Wray, Jr., and O. W. Scott.

Meredith Trustees OK Cooperation, Tuition Hike

RALEIGH, N. C. (BP)—Trustees of Meredith College (Baptist) here voted to increase tuition fees, student aid, and faculty salaries next year, and proposed that the number of trustees be increased from 20 to 30, provided the Baptist State Convention approves.

The board also gave a green light to planning ventures that will expand an inter-institutional cooperation program this year between the Baptist school and neighboring colleges and universities.



REV. HARDY B. DENHAM, pastor, First Church, Ellisville, (left) presents a copy of "A Syllabus of New Testament Studies," of which he is the author, to Rev. Harold T. Bryson, pastor, First Church, Sumrall; and a doctoral student, New Orleans Seminary, wrote the introduction to the book.

Ellisville Pastor Writes Textbook

Rev. Hardy R. Denham, pastor First Church, Ellisville, and one of three instructors in the Bible Department, Jones County Junior College, is the author of a new book, "A Syllabus of New Testament Studies," (Acts through Revelation), which was written to be used as a textbook for the three Bible courses he teaches.

The introduction was written by Rev. Harold T. Bryson, "The book by Rev. Hardy R. Denham." Mr. Bryson says, "is a survey of the Book of Acts and the remaining 22 epistles. This work makes no claim to completeness on these books of the New Testament, but it aims at providing a readable conspectus for the serious student."

The author, a dedicated student of the New Testament, has done an excellent job in the study for the beginner as well as for the person who desires a thorough review. From this excellent presentation, the more serious student can branch into deeper areas of Biblical study."

Of the text, the author states: This volume is not intended to be a detailed inva-

tigation into the New Testament books treated. I recognize that it is little more than an introduction to the 23 books of the New Testament dealt with. However, in the hands of the industrious student, the book will be of assistance in leading him into a deeper and more complete understanding of God's revelation in the written Word."

Printed locally, on 8½ by 11 white stock, the book is bound in black and buff, and the author has provided Scriptural outlines at the end of the background material, which are true to the divisions of the passages.

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Names In The News

Rev. Ernest Steelman of Route 3, Sumrall, has moved to Louisiana. His new address is 1806 Shady Grove Blvd., Bossier City, La., 71010.

The Comforter

By W. Guy Henderson
When I first saw the mother she was bending over the bed of her little child in the Baptist hospital in Pusan, Korea. The two-year-old was very sick. I talked with her about God and then went on to visit other patients.

An hour or so later I passed the room again. They had taken the baby to an oxygen tank. The mother was kneeling, her eyes tightly closed, her hands resting on the warm bed where the child had lain.

Over and over she called on the Lord. Tears rolled from her cheeks, over her wrinkled hands, and onto the clean white sheet.

I wanted to comfort her, to say something that would give courage and hope. But how presumptuous to think I could comfort her when she was talking with the Comforter. She was grateful she had found God and even then knelt at his throne.

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Rev. and Mrs. John W. Merritt, missionaries to Italy, have moved to Milan, where they do evangelistic work. (They may be addressed, Via Dario Papa 8-33, Milan, Italy.) He is a native of the Hattiesburg, Miss., area; she, the former Elizabeth Pope, was born in Mobile, Ala., and grew up in Chicora, Miss.

Dr. John B. Falconer, of Mississippi and Liberia, was evangelist for an open-air rally at Dar Es Salam, Tanzania, Africa, on September 22. The rally, attended by between 1,000 and 1,200 people, was a part of the preparation for Baptists' "New Life For You" crusade in Tanzania, Kenya, and Uganda during October.

Mrs. Dora Clement Talkington, long-time member of Main Street Church, Hattiesburg, has an article in October Home Life, entitled "Lessons from a Stroke."

Sammie Chisolm, age 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Chisolm, was recently licensed to the gospel ministry, by Van Winkle Church, Jackson, Rev. Herman Milner, pastor.

His hope is to be a medical missionary wherever the Lord calls him.



LICENSED AT LAKELAND

Lakeland Church in Itawamba County has licensed Keith Stephens to the gospel ministry.

Stephens has been a member of this church since it was begun as a mission at the Stephens Cemetery Chapel building in 1959; he often preaches there on Sunday nights. Rev. Leburn O'rear is the pastor.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stephens (and the grandson of Mrs. Fannie May Cleveland and the late Jim Cleveland, and Mr. and Mrs. Dewitt Stephens) graduated from Mantachie High School last June, and is now employed at the Medical Center in Tupelo.

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Rev. Billy Smith
2nd, Indianola Calls Pastor

Second Church, Indianola, has called Rev. Billy Smith as pastor.

Smith began his duties at Indianola, October 2. For the past four and a half years he has served as pastor at Independence. Prior to serving in Independence, he was pastor of Bluff Springs church, Magnolia, Alta Vista in Jackson, and Indian Springs in Winston County.

He is a graduate of Mississippi College and holds the B. D. degree from New Orleans Seminary.

Rev. Billy Smith is the former Harriette Herring of Louisville. Their home church is First, Louisville.

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\$2,100 Minimum Pay Is Urged For Pastors

CARMARTHEN, Wales (RNS) — A ministerial study commission of the Welsh Baptist Union proposed a minimum annual wage of at least \$2,100 for pastors at the Union's annual assembly here.

Some Welsh pastors, the commission said, now receive as little as \$1,310, and a few receive as much as \$2,800.

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STOVALLS HONORED — Members of the Adult II Sunday school department of First Church, Lucedale, surprised Rev. and Mrs. Joe H. Stovall, Jr., on a recent Sunday morning. On that date the Stovalls were beginning their seventh year in the Lucedale pastorate. In addition to a floral arrangement on the table and a three-tiered anniversary cake, the Stovalls were presented a silver serving tray, with the memorable occasion date engraved. Left to right above are Rev. and Mrs. Stovall with Mrs. Alene Lumpkin presenting the tray.

T. U. Administration Seminar

To Be At RSSR November 13-17

The availability of a Training Union Administration Seminar at the Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, has been announced by James Frost of the Board's Training Union Department.

November 13-17 is the date for this special seminar which will be a comprehensive study of the training program of a church. It is especially designed for church Training Union Directors, Ministers of Education, and pastors.

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REV. PAUL H. LEBER and his family, shown above, were honored by East Moss Point Church Oct. 15 in a surprise fellowship following the evening worship hour. Mr. Leber has served for nine years as pastor of East Moss Point. A coffee and tea silver serving set was presented to them on this anniversary day. Billy Wilks, Chairman of Deacons, made the presentation.